

House Resolution No. 1309

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have dedicated themselves to the highest standards of conduct and achievement in their chosen fields of endeavor; and

Whereas, Jerry Johnson of Osage Beach has attained considerable distinction during the past thirty-six years for his activities with Johnson & Johnson, a vocational pursuit which he will draw to a close on April 1, 2004, in retirement; and

Whereas, Jerry Johnson was born in Macon, Georgia; graduated from his hometown's Lanier High School; and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history from local Mercer University in 1966; and

Whereas, Jerry Johnson began working for Neisler Laboratories in 1966 as a Sale Representative, after which he shifted the focus of his time and energies to McNeil Pharmaceutical and its parent company, Johnson and Johnson, for which he served as Territory Sales Representative for the Southeast Region beginning in 1968, became District Manager for the Southeast Region in 1971, moved to Regional Manager of the Southwest Region in 1976, accepted the position of Regional Director of the Midwest Region in 1977, rose to Manager of State Governmental Affairs in 1985, and took on the diverse duties and responsibilities of Director for State Governmental Affairs-Corporate Staff in 1992; and

Whereas, chairman of the Missouri Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (Mo PhRMA) Task Force until January 1, 2004, Jerry Johnson served as Vice Chairman of the Mo PhRMA Task Force from 1993 to 1997 before accepting the Chairmanship in 1997; and

Whereas, Jerry Johnson married his beloved Kay on June 3, 1962, in a loving relationship which has been blessed with three wonderful children, Kim, Keith, and Kris; a son-in-law, Clay; a daughter-in-law, Randelle; and a granddaughter, Kaetlyn:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar career and personal accomplishments garnered by Jerry Johnson down through the years and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Jerry Johnson of Osage Beach, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Mark C. Abel
District No. 103

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1309, adopted March 29, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker